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THE ITALIAN VICTORY WAS GERMANY'S DEATH BLOW



"How the Mighty has Fallen"—from a dream of world conquest and domination a few short months ago the proud German government is upon its knees begging mercy from its conquerors on the west front and in Italy, while within the confines of its own far-reaching borders civil strife, revolution and anarchy are at the boiling point. Today Germany stands a pitiable but unrepentant object, shorn of its strength, its borders contracted and all that remains of the great empire that went to war in 1914 is strictly Germany—the Germany, and the Germans that will be made to pay in years of toil for the havoc they have wrought. For it seems well known that when the time to discuss terms of peace arrives the Allies will not deviate one jot or one tittle from extracting the full measure of reparation and reparation for all wants destroyed on land and on sea. A glance at the map shows the outline of the former German empire when it

contained Poland, Austria-Hungary and all the Italian Freeland—the black portion shows what Germany is today. The Italian armies smashing the Austro-German-Turkish armies and driving them out of Italy, out of the Freeland and much of their own territorial zone completed the magnificent work of the British-Italian army in Palestine, the Italian, British, Serbian and French army in the Balkans, and put out of commission Germany's most powerful ally. Described the great empire and left it for the final blow to be struck on the west front by the Americans at Sedan, and the French and British assisted by Italian forces north in France and Belgium. The small map in the upper right hand corner shows in the dotted portion Germany in its greatest expanse, when the arrogant Hun felt that his dream of Middle Europe and world domination. With his stage set and his armies flying he proposed to drive back at once, but the Italian drove him back at Chateau

Thierry, and then began the series of retreats and defeats on every front in every land that has forever banished the Hun from his place as a world power and made the world safe for liberty loving people. All that remains to be done is for the Allies to let the limits of his territory henceforth and name the amount and terms of his reparation for the disastrous crimes he has committed since 1914. The world has stood aghast at the horror of his atrocities. Never among the most savage and barbarous races has been seen such cruelty and utter depravity, such utter disregard of human decency, such absolute lack of moral rectitude, such dearth of sentiment or mercy. Churches, cathedrals and sacred places wrecked, destroyed and defiled. Worse than the Turks even, in that the Turks turned the places of worship that fell into their hands into use for their own religious purposes. Children and babies murdered in cold blood, young boys main-

on the French front and in Italy is found evidences indisputable of wanton devastation and cruelty that had no shadow of excuse in military necessity. Germany shall now reap what she has sown. Firmly shall Justice in full be meted out to her and this Justice shall be alike Just to Germany and the Germans, and to the Allies and their devastated countries, and carried out to Germany's end, and carried captive into Germany to meet fates worse than death. Wounded prisoners of war, tortured with more fiendish devilry than could be devised by the Indians, hospitals bombed, non-combatants left in cities abandoned in their retreat no later than a week ago, destroyed by gas shells thrown by the Germans when a safe distance away. Towns without number, burned, trees, even whole forests levelled to the earth by the Huns in their frenzy at having to retreat and give up the land they had hoped to dominate. In all the territory wrested in the past month both

THAT MACHINE OPERATOR JUST SIMPLY FAILED

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I suppose another trick of that old dog they call "Dime Detective."

Good—If True.

"Now that would be a perfectly good story providing there were a few more points brought out," said Judge C. M. Shanklin, attorney for the Bartlett Loan & Trust Co., yesterday when he had been shown this pretty little romance which is now going the rounds of the press, and which was first pulled off by the Omaha Bee, from which the above is reproduced. "It is really interesting—well written—and if no one knew any better it would pass muster very creditably. I really believe that fellow Guy told one sentence truthfully and that one is wherein he says that he has never exchanged a word with Pershing in all his life." Judge Shanklin continued.

"It is true that there is a Gen. John Pershing," Judge Shanklin went on, "and that he was born and was appointed to West Point from Missouri—and that is about all that there is

true in that story. It is on a par with many of the other so-called war stories of the present time.

"There are the facts—for I lived in Grundy county at the time—and I should know. Pershing was appointed to West Point by Rev. Joseph H. Burrows, a Baptist preacher, who was inductively elected to Congress from the 6th Term—now the Second Congressional district. Rev. Burrows died at Calverville last year and his widow received an autograph letter from Gen. Pershing after his death telling her of what her husband had done for him by giving him the place at West Point. The letter was printed in almost every paper in the United States.

"Another fact—Pershing was in West Point before ever Charley Mansur was in Congress—and that should be a potent reason why he did not appoint Pershing. There are plenty more reasons why the fable could be exploded—but the above is enough." The Congressional Record shows that Joseph H. Burrows was elected Congressman in 1889 and took his seat in 1891. He appointed Pershing to West Point in 1892. Charles H. Mansur, the Congressional Record

also shows, was elected in 1890 and took his seat in 1891, five years after Pershing had been appointed to West Point—and further Mansur never represented the district from which Pershing was appointed.

And thus another war romance—a real pipe dream—is rudely shattered.

WHAT THE DEFEAT LAST WEEK WILL MEAN

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Hays of Indiana, who has but the single thought of making the country Republican two years hence.

"The bars are down, and politics is to roam unrestrained through the fields of industry for the coming two years. And the only hope of the people is in the White House and a minority representation of the White House party in congress, and neither can work very effectively, especially the latter, because only two days ago the country refused to uphold President Wilson's hands in the way he asked and pleaded with the people to uphold them."

Last week's Sentinel was somewhat of a mixture. It was Prohibition, anti-Prohibition, Republican and Democratic. Could you tell where the Sentinel stands on any of the questions at issue? We guess not. It is independent in all things.—Parnell Sentinel.

In the insufferable greed of man compelling the civilization to repudiate the Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount or were these noble sentiments and precepts simply a convenience for the time being?—King City Times.

The dealer who tells you that your winter's coal has been "glated" for delivery may mean well, but his choice of words raises uncomfortable doubts on the quality of that promised fuel.—Cole County Democrat.

Judging from the modern methods of war correspondents, a repetition of the once great battle of Gettysburg would be reported as "slight activity in a quiet sector."—Albany Ledger.

Another thing Germany will consider is that Allied bombing planes in Bohemia would be so close to Dresden that all the chimneys would be sure to be smashed.—Kansas City Post.

It is really too bad that the Colonel has been sick this week. He has not erupted once—and the world is tremblingly awaiting his advent.

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RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$4,022,590.23
Federal Reserve Bank Stock	24,000.00
United States and other Bonds, par.	401,600.00
U. S. Bonds (Circulation) par.	374,500.00
U. S. Bonds for Customers, par.	775,250.00
U. S. Certificates of Indebtedness	1,200,000.00
Customers Liability under Letters Cr.	54,886.28
Redemption Fund	18,725.00
Banking House	163,450.00
Cash and Sight Exchange	2,237,380.29
Total	\$9,272,381.80

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock Paid In	\$ 500,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	460,130.16
Circulation	374,497.50
Letters of Credit and Time Acceptances	54,886.28
Bills Payable Federal Reserve Bank	960,000.00
Deposits	6,982,817.86
Total	\$9,272,381.80

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$5,181,658.75
Federal Reserve Bank Stock	24,000.00
Customers Liability under Letters of Cr.	54,886.28
Real Estate	17,807.40
U. S. and other Bonds	2,894,910.58
Redemption Fund	18,725.00
Banking House	163,450.00
Cash and Sight Exchange	2,360,982.10
Total	\$10,716,350.42

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St. Joseph, Mo.

At the Close of Business, Nov. 1, 1918.

RESOURCES	
Loans	\$1,159,048.52
Real Estate	17,807.40
U. S. and other Bonds	143,560.89
Cash and Due from Banks	123,551.81
Total	\$1,443,968.62

LIABILITIES	
Capital (Paid In)	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	82,658.97
Deposits	1,311,309.65
Total	\$1,443,968.62

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COMBINED STATEMENTS

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$5,181,658.75
Federal Reserve Bank Stock	24,000.00
Customers Liability under Letters of Cr.	54,886.28
Real Estate	17,807.40
U. S. and other Bonds	2,894,910.58
Redemption Fund	18,725.00
Banking House	163,450.00
Cash and Sight Exchange	2,360,982.10
Total	\$10,716,350.42

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock Paid In	\$ 500,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	512,839.13
Circulation	374,497.50
Letters of Credit and Time Acceptances	54,886.28
Bills Payable Federal Reserve Bank	960,000.00
Deposits	8,324,127.51
Total	\$10,716,350.42